for eradication of illiteracy in all States/UTs including Bihar in the country. At present, 238 blocks have so far been covered in the State under 'Operation Blackboard' for substantial improvement in the quality of primary schools. 51,990 Non-Formal Education Centres have been sanctioned for the school drop-outs and Total Literacy Campaigns have been launched in 6 districts of the State covering about 29.50 lakhs illiterate persons in different age groups in a time-bound manner. Three Voluntary agencies and 240 Youth clubs have also taken up, literacy campaigns in small and compact areas in six districts.

In addition the 'Bihar Education Project' (BEP) which is jointly sponsored by the Central and State Governments and the UNICEF aims at universalisation of elementary education, drastic reduction in adult illiteracy and equalisation of the educational opportunities with particular focus on women, Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and poorer sections of the society.

(d) and (e) During 1991-92, grant amounting to Rs. 747·19 lakhs was released to the State Government of Bihar and other agencies working in the field of elementary and adult education as under :

(a) *Grants Released for elementary education*

	(Rs. in lakhs)
i. State Government	191·99
ii. Voluntary Agencies	69·37

(b) *Grants released for adult education*

i. State Government	334.96
ii. Zila Sakshartha Samities and Voluntary Agencies.	150·87

(f) The State Government is expected to implement the programme as per the norms and guidelines issued by the Central Government. The programme is constantly reviewed from time to time and corrective measures are taken as considered necessary.

Expansion in Central Universities

2492. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of departments in each Central University;

(b) the plan and non-plan allocations made and actually provided to each Central University during the last three years and the current year ;

(c) the details of programmes for expansion in each University during 1993-94 and the Eighth plan ; and

(d) the amount asked for by each University during the current year?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

Committee to study the grants given to various Universities

2493. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:
SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE :

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government or University Grants Commission had